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Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 03:49:13 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!
usenet.ins.cwru.edu!news.ecn.bgu.edu!feenix.metronet.com!marcbg@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: ARLB091 FCC fines WA4D
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SB QST @ ARL \$ARLB091
ARLB091 FCC fines WA4D

ZCZC AG33
QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 91 ARLB091

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 03:51:09 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!
usenet.ins.cwru.edu!news.ecn.bgu.edu!feenix.metronet.com!marcbg@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: ARLB092 Restructuring denied
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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ARLB092 Restructuring denied

ZCZC AG34
QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 92 ARLB092

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 03:52:43 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!
usenet.ins.cwru.edu!news.ecn.bgu.edu!feenix.metronet.com!marcbg@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: ARLB093 FCC unveils new fines
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SB QST @ ARL \$ARLB093
ARLB093 FCC unveils new fines

ZCZC AG35
QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 93 ARLB093

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 03:54:18 GMT
From: swrinde!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!usenet.ins.cwru.edu!
news.ecn.bgu.edu!feenix.metronet.com!marcbg@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: ARLB094 Local, state law relief
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SB QST @ ARL \$ARLB094
ARLB094 Local, state law relief

ZCZC AG36

QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 94 ARLB094

Date: Mon, 23 Aug 1993 16:16:11 GMT
From: swrinde!gatech!destroyer!nntp.cs.ubc.ca!alberta!adec23!ve6mgs!
usenet@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Digital radio - monitor needed for MS victim
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

When I was back visiting family and friends in western Nebraska earlier this summer, I talked with an old friend (Jim McCafferty) who asked if I could help find a donated monitor for an MS victim (Mike). Mike was extremely depressed during the development of the disease, even suicidal. Computer ham radio has given him something to be interested in and cheered him up considerably. The problem is that his monitor died.

I asked Jim for a little more information about the monitor and about Mike. Here are the pertinent parts of his letter:

"Treatment is complicated for the victim (Mike) since he
"is a Medicaid patient and totally dependent upon the
"welfare system. His father had a stroke in July and now
"they are both in the Crestview Care Center!

"Briefly, Mike (age 33) started MS with rapid onset
"about four or five years ago. The course was
"precipitous and at age 30 he was placed on a permanent
"basis in the Care Center. The only treatment I know of
"other than the initial diagnosis and testing as an
"employee of GP Express Airlines has been an extended
"course of antibiotics administered by a physician from
"the Veterans' hospital in Hot Springs. It was
"unsuccessful. Deterioration has been very slow in the
"past two years and I notice slurring of the speech
"increasing slightly and loss of muscle tone in his legs
"since he sort of drags his wheelchair along with his
"heels and now will accept a push where he refused help
"when I first met him. He is a stubborn one... Needless
"to say, ham radio gives him something to get up to each
"day and he spends a great deal of time snooping through
"the packet BBs throughout the area.

"The monitor that died was a Samsung 14" color using a
"composite color input and a sound input compatible with

"the Commodore 64 computer system. Repairs are not
"possible as parts are no longer made for that monitor
"so Mike is still squinting at a 9" B&W.

I'm posting this because Jim isn't tied into the internet. If
you can help, please contact Jim McCafferty, POB 68, Whitney,
Nebraska, 69367. (Sorry I don't have his phone number.)

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 93 03:41:49 GMT
From: netcomsv!bongo!skyld!dfoley@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: How does your key feel?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <746264638snx@skyld.tele.com> jangus@skyld.tele.com writes:

> So anyways, here's the big question. How do you rate your key? How do you
> rate the key you aren't using and why?

My key was purchased purely for decorative purposes since I never ever
work CW. Period. All my HAM friends said my station wouldn't be complete
without it. It is made out of oak and brass with mahogany paddles. And
it looks simply marvelous just sitting there. Luckily, that's what I
bought it for.

At work, I have a straight key I got for \$0.50 at the swap meet. It
functions as a paperweight and also serves to tease my friends who have
not been able to pass the code test and upgrade yet. Note; this is just
a key, no radio or practice oscillator. This key is also fulfilling its
purpose admirably and at a much lower price.

Diane, KD6AAA (upgraded to Advanced, but kept the spiffy callsign)

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Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 02:46:15 EDT
From: mulvey!rich@uunet.uu.net
Subject: I NEED HELP!!! I tried fixing a 02AT and made it worse!!!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

jeffries@iastate.edu (Anthony G Jeffries) writes:

> Thanks for all of the responses to my original post. I think I'm just going

> to save my \$\$\$\$ and buy a new 2m HT. The student ham radio club (Cyclone
> ARC) here at Iowa State has a 2GAT, which I am quite impressed with. My
> only beef with it is that it has no jack to connect to 13.8vdc, but that can
> be worked around easily :-). It's amazing what can be done with a battery
> extension cable.
>
> I've been fortunate that a friend of mine has lent me his HTX-202, also a fin
> e
> radio, and a heck of a lot cheaper than the 2GAT. I can't decide whether I
> want the more rugged, but also more expensive, 2GAT, or the HTX-202, which is
> somewhat less solidly-built than the 2GAT, but is less expensive. I think
> I'm beginning to discover what makes hams blow their minds. :):):):)
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Well, as an owner of an HTX-202, I can tell you that I'm very pleased
with the rig - it works much better in high-RF environments than any
other rigs that I've seen close up.

As for solidity, it's managed to survive several drops onto hard
surfaces with nary a problem. :-)

- Rich

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Date: 25 Aug 1993 11:47:42 -0400
From: swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!math.ohio-state.edu!caen!malgudi.oar.net!
ucbeh.san.uc.edu!ucunix.san.uc.edu!ucunix.san.uc.edu!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: JOTA: not for everyone?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Is my impression correct that the Jamboree-on-the-Air is a Cub Scout/Boy
Scout-only activity (i.e., male-oriented only)? Or can we expect there
to be Daisy/Brownie/Girl Scout troops participating as well. The reason
I ask is that my nephew's Boy Scout troop is likely to be interested in
participating, and so is my Novice-to-be daughter's Cadet Girl Scout
troop--if there will be other YLs participating. The last thing I want
to do is get the Girl Scouts on the air and have them hear -nothing- but
boys (although they might create their own pileup--(-:...hmmm...)).

Anyway, anyone with first hand knowledge either of the JOTA management
or of GS troops participating? Wanna set up skeds?

Thanks for any info,

Ted Morris, WB8VNV, morris@ucunix.san.uc.edu (Cincinnati, Ohio)
Previous politically-incorrect tag-line removed.

Date: 26 Aug 1993 04:10:42 GMT
From: concert!samba.oit.unc.edu!not-for-mail@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: Open Garage door with my HT?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Actually, I think most of the garage door openers use something in the 200MHz band, very low power.

As for triggering things with HTs, I did manage to turn someone's car alarm either on or off (not sure which annoying beep is which) in the parking lot at school while walking by and talking on 440 at about 2.5watts. If only I had a high power mobile... :-)

73 de KD6RCT

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internet: laUNCHpad.unc.edu or 152.2.22.80

Date: Wed, 25 Aug 1993 17:34:01 GMT
From: spsgate!mogate!newsgate!news@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Open Garage door with my HT?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <25g2pj\$sfp@vixen.cso.uiuc.edu> jtg0707@uxa.cso.uiuc.edu (Jui Tien) writes:

> While I was installing a Genie garage door opener in my parents' house,
> I noticed a set of 12 switches on the opener to set the 'code' for the
> opener. I am just wondering whether if those switches change the carrier
> frequency or if they actually encode the carrier with info?
>
> Judging from the length of the antenna, I assume the garage door opener
> uses frequencies somewhere on the 70cm band.
>
> Can I use my HT to open the door? Any info is appreciated.
>
> P.S. Now I know what a UHF HT is good for! :-)

I don't know about using an HT, but my Genie garage door opener used to be triggered by my operating on 20M. Really drove it nuts. I got to where I would unplug it before I fired up the HF rig. The Genie finally died (the piece that rode on the screw drive and pulled on the door stripped its threads) and I replaced it with a Sears model. Haven't noticed any problems with the Sears on any band.

73... Mark AA7TA

Date: 25 Aug 93 17:33:38 EST
From: titan.ksc.nasa.gov!k4dii.ksc.nasa.gov!user@ames.arpa
Subject: Optoelectronics Spy Equipment
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <9308241213.AA02120@maverick.aud.alcatel.com>, mraz@maverick.AUd.alcatel.COM (Kris Mraz) wrote:

The Optoelectronics ad on page 157 of Sept. QST contains all manner of
> electronics seemingly unrelated to amateur radio. The best I can make
> out from their obtuse ad copy, they're selling stuff used to eavesdrop
> on cellular phones

Kris-

I saw much of this equipment demonstrated at the Orlando Hamfest, last March. It is actually test equipment with legitimate uses in servicing various types of two-way radios, including cellular phones.

The problem is, as you have pointed out, that they are advertising their products to appeal to customers who might have other uses. I agree that QST is the wrong place to place such ads.

These ads must be designed to appeal to real customers. I can imagine that groups needing to expand their communications expertise, would read the ham magazines, since trade publications don't usually appear on the news stands. Although my first thoughts were that these might be clandestine groups that were into drugs, et cetera, they could also be security officers of U. S. industrial facilities, trying to improve their ability to defend against industrial espionage. They might be from small, poor countries, trying to defend against sophisticated people who are into drugs.

So, it is hard to make a judgement about the motives of Optoelectronics and their customers.

73, Fred, K4DII

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 1993 08:13:45 GMT
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!agate!doc.ic.ac.uk!pipex!Q.icl.co.uk!dsbc!iclbra!
prs@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: prefix list wanted
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Morning...

I'm in urgent need of an up-to-date callsign Prefix list/country list.
There's bound to be someone with a recent list.. for example, my current list
doesn't include all the new Balkan prefixes, doesn't have OK & OM as sepatate
countries etc.

E-mail direct to me if possible

Tnx & 73

Peter
G0PUB

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Disclaimer: See Paragraph 2.4.a of section 1.a (article 7) (iii) of the
Town and Country Planning Act, 1967.

Date: Wed, 25 Aug 1993 15:28:39 GMT
From: spsgate!mogate!newsgate!news@uunet.uu.net
Subject: VE vagaries
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <9308251342.AA00299@ucsd.edu>
William=E.=Newkirk%Pubs%GenAv.Mlb@ns14.cca.CR.rockwell.COM writes (quoting
someone else) :

> > so, if i get this right, the vec, which has (likely, hopefully) sent
> > my first 610 to fcc for tech+ upgrade, goes back over the records, and
> > says "ah, here is a guy who has upgraded, and waiting for a new call,
> > but here is yet another application from him for more upgrades and
> > another new callsign. i am going to sit on this application until
> > he sends me his copy of this new tech+ license."
> > is this correct or am i missing something obvious?
>

> no, that sounds right

Well, not quite. The 'Tech+' is not considered an upgrade by the FCC, that is, the FCC doesn't update their database. Although the VEC gets a 610 for an update to Tech+ I don't think they send it to the FCC. Also, a new license is not issued just for upgrading to Tech+. In this case, tho, requesting a new callsign along with the Tech+ upgrade will cause the VEC to hold the paperwork for the second upgrade until the new license is issued and the VEC receives a copy of it. Luckily, new callsign requests seem to be taking a lot less time than new licenses or upgrades. This person probably would have been better off to not request the new callsign along with the Tech+ upgrade. Altho, if he was planning to upgrade past Tech right away, why not just forgo the Tech+ and go right to General or whatever?

While I think the no-code Tech is essentially a Good Idea, it seems to me that the FCC could have done a better job with it with respect to licensing, CSCE's etc.

73... Mark AA7TA

Date: 26 AUG 93 04:44:16 GMT
From: tribune.usask.ca!skyfox!phillipsa@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: WANTED - Yaesu FT-530
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Wanted, Yaesu FT-530 hand held. Please phone (306) 966-6459 during the day and (306) 665-6949 during the evenings, or reply via internet to phillips@skisas.usask.ca. Please don't reply to this news group

manythanks... Andre Phillips ZL3AW/VE5 (downunder topside)...

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 93 00:17:00 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!umn.edu!csus.edu!netcom.com!netcomsv!vitsemi!rob@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: WANTED: Morse Code Tape Recommendations
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

My attempts at learning The Code on the computer have been thwarted, so I am considering learning by listening to cassette tapes in the car.

I have seen some tapes in ham and electronics stores and catalogs. Still others advertised in flyers that appeared in the mail.

What/which tapes are the best for learning Morse Code? How good are they for learning The Code?

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Rob Eccles KD6VYW | Disclaimer: The statements made here do not
rob@vitsemi.COM | represent my employer or anyone else.

Date: Thu, 26 Aug 93 03:12:32 +0000
From: psinntp!wlnntp.psi.com!usenet@uunet.uu.net
Subject: who had the Valiant for sale?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I accidentally deleted a recent message from someone who had a Valiant II for sale.

If that rig is still available, please email p00361@psilink.com.
(And please give your QTH and possible shipping ideas!)

Thanks!

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From: (null)

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Date: Thu, 26 Aug 93 08:48:49 GMT
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To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <1993Aug20.124345.28826@ke4zv.uucp>, <258rktINN2js@orb.apana.org.au>,
<4416@eram.esi.COM.AU>

Subject : Re: recommendations for 2m HT's please?

If you want a dual bander I'd highly recommend the Icom IC2W-AT (2m/70cm).

BTW: Has anyone got a list of the Sydney repeaters? Things have changed a lot while I've been in Paris.

... de VK2BHR

Boyd Roberts boyd@mhs.oz.au

``...to hold my tongue speaks of quiet reservations.'' -- Guns 'n Roses

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